



**It's a matter of the  
heart**

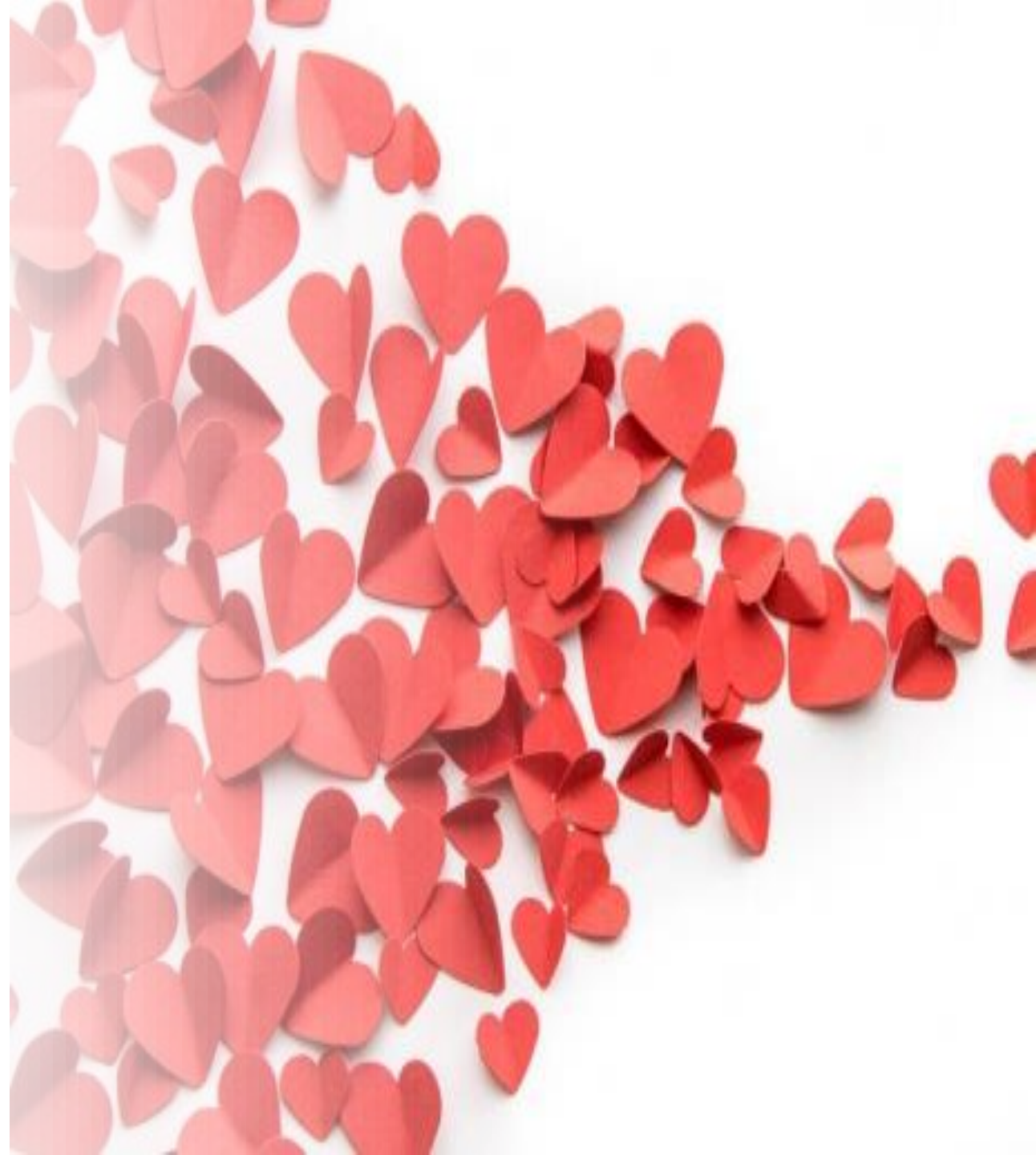
**John 12**

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- **“These people honor me with their lips,  
but their hearts are far from me.”**

**~Matthew 15:8, Isaiah 29:13**

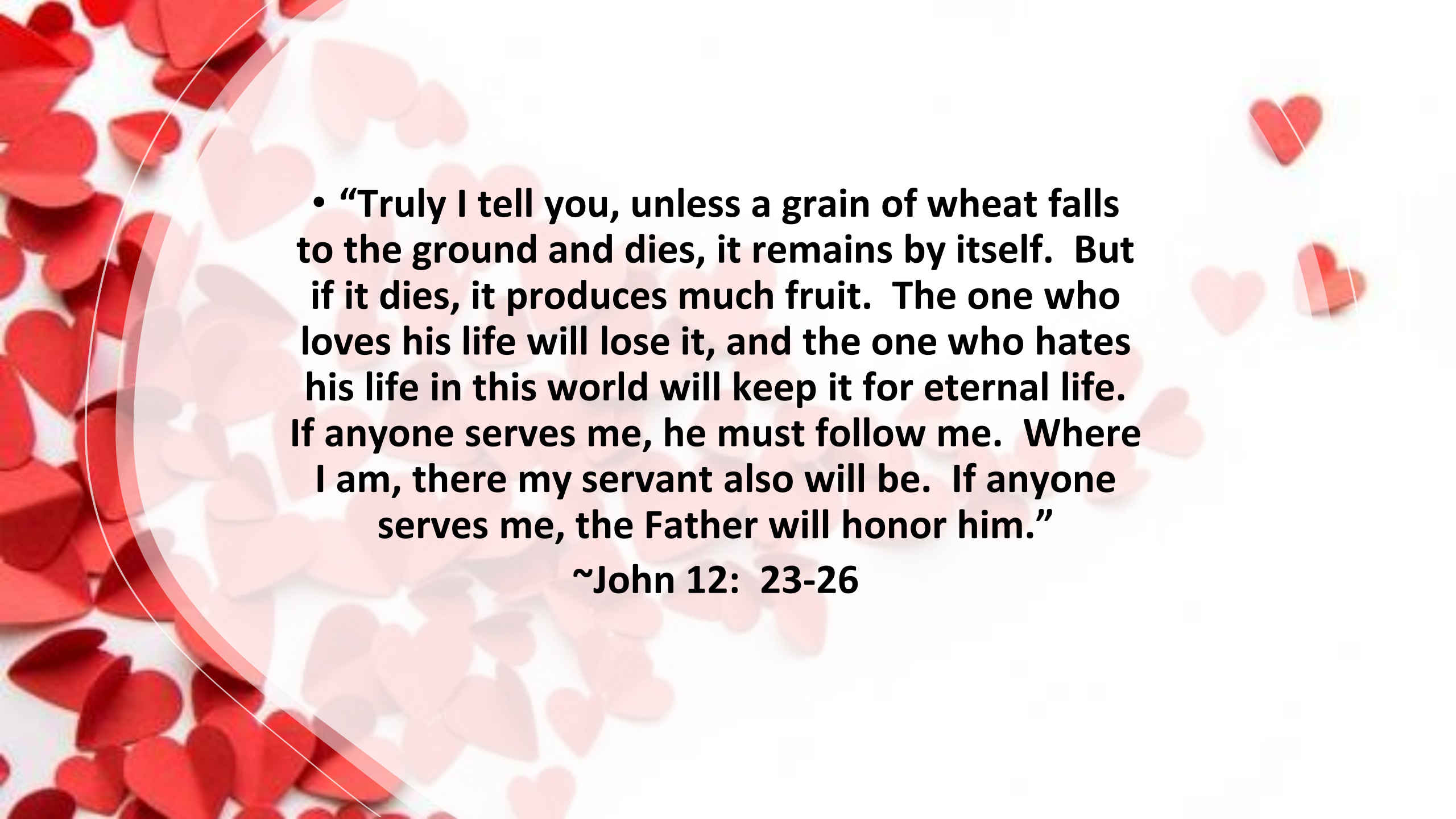
- **“And they come to you as people come,  
and they sit before you as my people, and  
they hear what you say but they will not  
do it: for with lustful talk in their mouths  
they act; their heart is set on their gain.”**

**~Ezekiel 33:31**



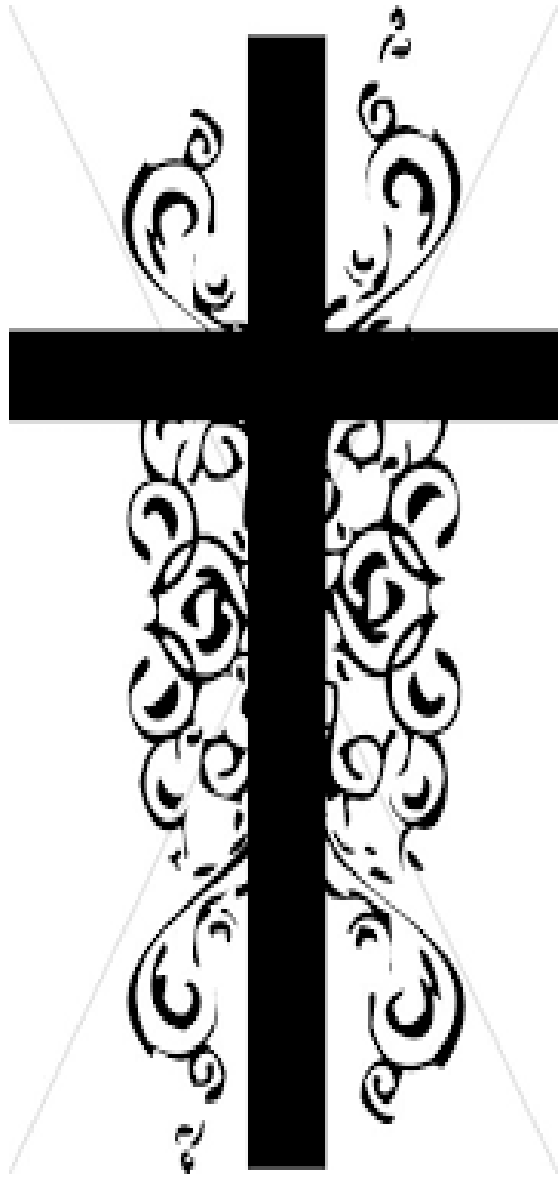


- **“But I know you---that you have no love for God within you.” ~John 5:42**
- **“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.” ~Matthew 5:8**
- **“And He said to them, ‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your might.’ ~Matthew 23:37**

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**• “Truly I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains by itself. But if it dies, it produces much fruit. The one who loves his life will lose it, and the one who hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. If anyone serves me, he must follow me. Where I am, there my servant also will be. If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him.”**

**~John 12: 23-26**



## I. The Banquet: John 12: 1-8

- Martha
- Mary
- Judas

## II. The Triumphal Entry: John 12: 9-19

- People attending the Passover
- Chief Priests

## III. The Passover Festival: John 12: 20-50

- Greeks attending the festival
- Remaining people attending
- Religious leaders

*John closes chapter 12 with:*

- *Words of prophecy from the book of Isaiah*
- *The final words of Jesus's public ministry*

**Today's aim: Death will lead to *Life***

## The Banquet: John 12: 1-8



**The death of pride:  
Humility**



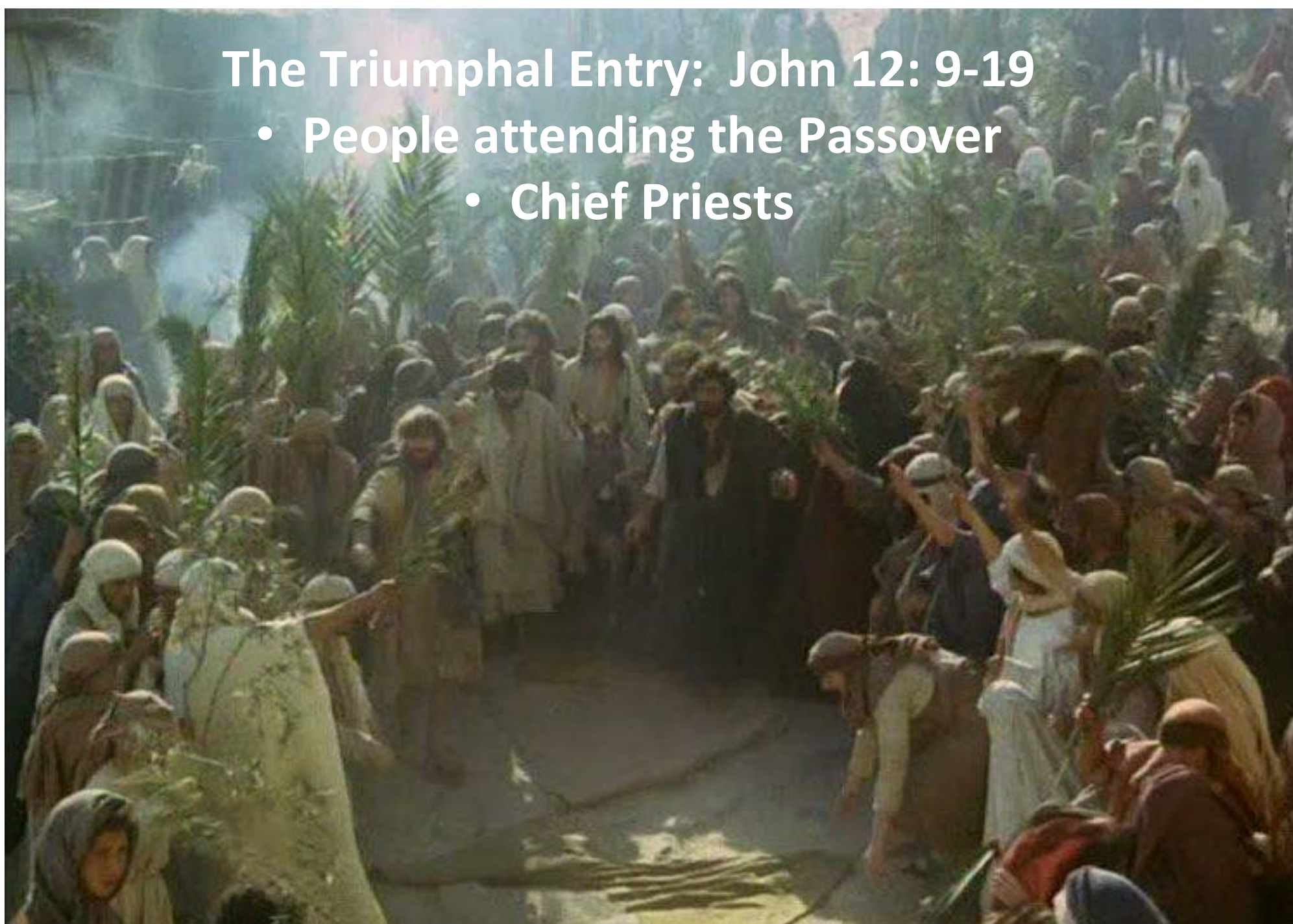
**The death of greed:  
Generosity**



**The death of self-  
absorption and self-  
promotion:  
Self-denial**

# The Triumphal Entry: John 12: 9-19

- People attending the Passover
- Chief Priests







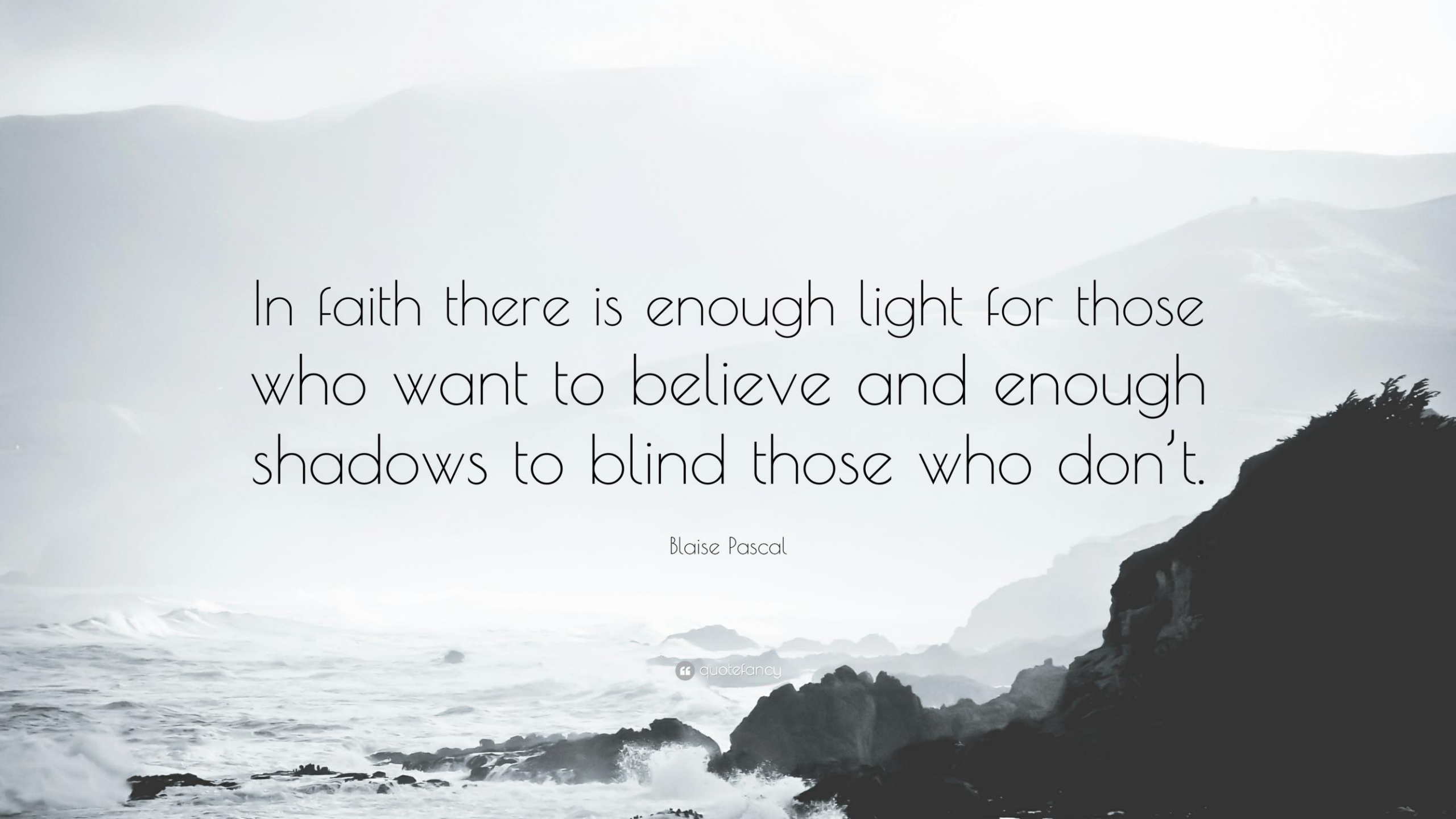
• **The Passover Festival: John 12: 20-50**

**Greeks -- Remaining People -- Religious Leaders**

**“Lord, who has believed our message” And to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed? He has blinded their hearts, so that they would not see with their eyes or understand with their hearts, and turn, and I would heal them.”**

**~John’s quote from the book of Isaiah**





In faith there is enough light for those  
who want to believe and enough  
shadows to blind those who don't.

Blaise Pascal

quote fancy

# Jesus' final emotional appeal

- **Reminder**

I and the Father are one.

- **Challenge**

I have come to save the world. I do not judge; your response gives its own judgment.

- **Warning**

Truth reveals the heart and intentions of a person. We, in fact, are our own judge.

- **Promise**

For those who believe:

**DEATH WILL BRING LIFE!**

